

Chepachet Fire District

Executive Committee – Monthly Meeting.

March 14, 2007

The Chepachet Fire District monthly meeting was held at the Chepachet Fire Station on

Wednesday, March 14, 2007. Chairman Earl Newman called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

Members present were Jamie Hainsworth, George Leonhardt and Lynda Martone. Robert Lohr and Patricia Svansson were absent. Also present were Treasurer David Steere, Chief Robert Dauphinais, Deputy Chief Dennis Huestis and District Clerk/Secretary Darlene Shields.

Secretary's Report:

All members have received copies of the minutes for the Special Meeting on the Charter Changes on December 20, 2006 for their review. Motion made by Mr. Hainsworth to accept the minutes of the December 20, 2006 as presented, second by Mrs. Martone and passed 4-0.

All members have received copies of the minutes for the monthly meeting held on January 24, 2007 for their review. Motion made by Mrs. Martone to accept the minutes of the January 24, 2007 monthly meeting as presented, second by Mr. Leonhardt and passed 4-0.

Tax Collector's Report:

In Mrs. Svanssons' absence Mrs. Shields presented the board with the Tax Collector's Report.

For the month of January Mr. McCormick's office collected \$667.92 and for the month of February

Mr. McCormick's office collected \$1306.94. Mr. McCormick's office submitted the forms for small claims court to be signed by the Chairman.

Motion made by Mr. Hainsworth to accept the Tax Collector report as presented and authorize the Chairman to sign the small claim forms, second by Mr. Leonhardt and passed 4-0.

Treasurer Report:

Mr. Steere passed out copies of the January's and February's Treasurer's Report. Mr. Steere indicated that all the accounts are in good standing and expenses are inline. We are currently at 72% of the budget and it looks good at this point to come in close to the Budget. The biggest expense for the month was the mortgage payment. Mr. Steered made note that this is currently a little over \$540,000 in the PIP Account \$160,000 of that is for dedicated funds.

Motion made by Mr. Hainsworth to accept the reports as submitted and pay the monthly bills, second by Mrs. Martone and passed 4-0.

Mr. Steere had to remove himself for the remainder of the meeting

Chief's Report:

Chief Dauphinais read his report for the months of January and February and submitted a written report to be placed on file.

Motion made by Mr. Leonhardt to accept the reports as presented, second by Mrs. Martone and passed 4–0.

Committee Reports:

A. Roof Committee:

a. Mr. Newman has 4 roofing companies he will be contacting for quotes.

Old Business:

A. Charter Changes:

Mrs. Shields informed the board that she has been in contact with Senator Fogarty's office and the charter changes look to be approved in the coming month.

B. FEMA GRANT:

Chief Dauphinais received an email informing him that we were denied for the FEMA Grant. The department met all the requirements

but due to the overwhelming requests they received they were unable to award us the grant. Chief Dauphinais will be looking to purchasing the Air Supply system in the coming year and will be looking to include that purchase in the 2007/2008 Budget.

New Business:

A. Requirements of Cisterns:

Motion made by Mr. Hainsworth to remove the discussion of the Adoption of Regulations on Cisterns from the agenda until further notice, second by Mrs. Martone and passed 4-0.

B. There was discussion of looking into the possibility of bidding out for Legal Representation for the 2007/2008 fiscal year. Mrs. Shields was asked to contact both Harmony and West Glocester Fire Departments as to who they have on retainer and their fees. Harmony budgets for \$2500.00 annually and West Glocester budgets \$1500.00. Harmony's solicitor attends monthly meeting and the annual meeting and charges by the hour. West Glocester's solicitor attends the annual meeting and attends monthly meetings when requested and they are also billed by the hour.

C. EMT Class:

Chief Dauphinais made mention of an EMT Class started in February and is being held here at The Chepachet Fire Department. Currently there are 9 members taking the EMT Class.

Dispense of Executive Session at this time.

Next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, April 18, 2006 at 6:30 PM.

With no further business at this time, motion made by Mr. Hainsworth to adjourn, second by Mr. Leonhardt and passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Darlene L. Shields**  
**District Clerk / Chepachet Fire District**